

# The Bell Ringer

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### HONOR SYSTEM ADOPTED AT M. B. A.

#### Results of Latest Student Opinion Poll Given By I.S.O.

Two out of every three high school students think that the United States should not share the atomic bomb secret with other nations. The strong opposition to sharing the bomb secret is shown in the results of the latest and largest poll conducted by the Institute of Student Opinion under the sponsorship of Scholastic Magazine. Individual ballots were cast by 142,204 senior and junior high school students.

Sixty-five percent of the student voters opposed sharing the secret, 29 percent approved, and 6 percent had no opinion.

After the poll had been taken, editors and reporters of the 1,555 high school newspaper members of the I. S. O. interviewed more than 5,000 students and asked why they voted as they did. Below are given some typical opinions:

"If we are the United Nations, why not share our discovery with one another? The only way to prevent war is to cooperate with other nations."

In the second question, 69 percent believed that a large army and navy is still necessary and 25 percent were opposed.

"The next war," said one of the student voters, "will be a war of science, not men. We will need only a small technical army trained in atomic defense."

"The atomic bomb," said another, "cannot take care of all a war involves."

#### Football Banquet Is Given For 1945 Team

The annual football banquet was held at M. B. A. Friday, December 7, for the 1945 football team. Coach Allen gave a talk in which he told his team how much he had enjoyed coaching them and he wished to congratulate them on the fine job done.

The letters were then presented to the team. Lackey, Cargile, and his substitute, Scruggs, received letters for end position; Card and Elam, for tackle; Rhodes, his sub, Cole, Washington, his sub, Cooper, received awards for guard position; Lavender and Miles for center. In the backfield Goodpasture, Engle, Ehrhart, Atkinson, Murdock, Wade, and Ezell received letters.

Though the team came in short on the scoring, they played very well, winning over East, Hillsboro, and DuPont; losing to Springfield, Ryan, Chattanooga Central, and T. I. S.

A movie of the 1945 Sugar Bowl game between Duke and Alabama was shown following the excellent supper prepared by our own Mrs. Allen.

Here's wishing the 1946 team the best of luck.

#### Students Wish To See More of School Crest

Last year the board of trustees offered a fine prize to the person who would design the most appropriate coat of arms for M. B. A. The contest was publicized widely around school and everyone brought out his crayons and commenced to work on this project. When the creations had all been submitted and judged, Royal McCullough's entry took the honors. Since then the coat of arms has passed unnoticed. I daresay if very many know it looks and most of the newer boys have never heard of it.

#### CONSTITUTION OF THE M.B.A. HONOR SYSTEM

##### Article I.

Name: The name of the governing body shall be the Honor Council of M.B.A.

##### Article II.

Purpose and Scope: In 1945 the Honor System was adopted by the M.B.A. Student Body for the purpose of promoting a strong sense of honor among the students and to discourage lying, cheating and stealing. Cheating shall be construed to mean the giving or receiving aid on tests, examinations or other pledged work. The teacher shall definitely state to a class what outside work is to come under the pledge. The Honor System definitely does not cover matters of ordinary discipline such as breaking school rules and regulations.

##### Article III.

Membership: The Honor Council shall be composed of twelve members as follows: four from the senior class; three from the junior class; two from the sophomore class; two from the freshman class; and one from the junior school. Members of the council are to be elected at the end of the first month of the school year by the respective classes. They will serve for the rest of the school year and the first month of the following year. In case members of the council for the preceding year do not return to school, the headmaster will appoint students to fill vacancies for the first month. The council will elect a president, vice-president and secretary. The president must be selected from the four senior members. The principal of the high school shall meet with the council as an advisory member but shall have no vote.

##### Article IV.

Duties of Honor Council: It shall be the duty of the Honor Council to receive reports of violation of the honor code, to try offenders, and to recommend to the faculty suitable punishment. It shall promote and encourage activities which would aid the cause of honor. It shall meet upon call of the president.

##### Article V.

Quorum: Nine members shall constitute a quorum. A vote of three-fourths of the members present shall be necessary for a decision.

##### Article VI.

Pledge: Students must sign all pledged work as follows: "I have neither given nor received aid on this work."

##### Article VII.

Procedure in Reporting Offenses: If a student observes another student cheating, he will warn him to quit; if the cheating is repeated, he will report the offender to any member of the Honor Council. The Council will question the accused and if it finds him guilty, will recommend punishment which may be anyone of the following: a reprimand, a letter home to the parents, a public announcement to the student body of the guilt of the accused, suspension, expulsion or any other punishment deemed suitable by the Honor Council. Ordinarily a student will not be suspended or expelled on his first offense but continued violation of the honor code will mean dismissal from school.

##### Article VIII.

Amendment: This constitution may be amended by a three-fourths vote of the student body.

#### We Salute Mr. Cornelius, Our Learned Professor of Languages Who Has Been Serving MBA for Five Years

Back in 1878 in the town of Russellville, Kentucky, a very important thing happened to Rufus T. Cornelius: he was born.

When out of prep school he attended college at Vanderbilt University, where he majored in Latin and French. Besides being an A student, Mr. Cornelius found time to be a track star on the Vanderbilt team. This is a fact which I am sure most of his present day students are unaware of. He might have been called the Kentucky deer. I sincerely wish that I might have seen him as he sprinted on to victory for the Commodores. He graduated from the University with his B.A. and M.A. degrees.

Always an outstanding student, he is looked upon by the boys at M. B. A. as the perfect example of a scholar and a gentleman. This

knowledge has had no effect upon his sense of humor.

He is the most experienced teacher at M. B. A. today. He has taught school for nearly thirty-five years. He taught his first twenty years here in Nashville at the old Wallace School. The following six years he taught at Southern College in Lakeland, Florida. After leaving Lakeland he taught two years at the University of Florida, three years at Dallas School in Jacksonville and since 1940, Montgomery Bell Academy has been honored with his presence.

Mr. Cornelius is a student of the Bible and he often conducts our religious chapel programs. He is an active member of the Methodist church here in Nashville. Although most of the talks he makes in chapel are of a religious nature,

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#### Constitution Drawn and Student Honor Council Elected

The New Year started off with a bang! The much discussed Honor System has, after many delays, gone into effect. The Honor committee has been elected, a constitution drafted and the student body made well-acquainted with the Honor System mechanics.

The honor system withstood its posed by Mr. Sager last year. However, due to a lack of understanding of the system, it was not received favorably and the results of a vote as to whether an honor system should be adopted at M.B.A. were negative. In a recent vote, however, only twenty-five boys did not want the honor system. Those who oppose the honor system have been told by Mr. Sager that they must either do as the majority does and follow the honor system or leave M.B.A.

The honor system will cover mainly lying, cheating and stealing. The honor system will undergo its first test in the mid-term exams. Any boy caught cheating by another boy will first be warned. However, if he is guilty of a second offense he shall be placed in the hands of the Honor Council who will decide one of the following: Expulsion, suspension, a letter to the parents of the boy or a good talking to. Also any boy who lies wilfully or is caught taking something from another boy without the consent of that boy will receive the same penalty.

The Honor Council is composed of twelve men with Mr. Rule as faculty adviser. Mr. Rule, however, will have no vote and the boys will have the right to recommend what is to be done with the offender.

The honor system has been tried successfully in many other schools and we hope that M.B.A. will be no exception.

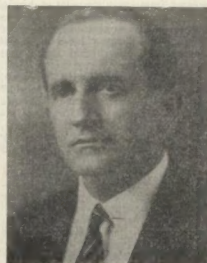
It seems that at last M.B.A. is regaining its old position as the best prep school in Middle Tennessee. The honor system marks the biggest step among the other improvements that has been made at M.B.A. in many years. This is the culmination of a more vigorous administration than we have had at M.B.A. in many years. Let's all back up the honor system and make M.B.A. a better school and its boys better citizens.

The Honor Council is composed of twelve members. They are: Vaden Lackey, Joe Card, Paul Purks, Joe Martin, Bill Calton, Ken Goodpasture, Tommy McEwen, Bill Wade, Bill Bailey, Dickie Miller, Wilbur Creighton, Chuck Pearson.

#### First Games Played In Intramural Contests

To start the Junior-Senior intramurals for the 1946 season, John Cooper's team played Eddie Purks' team. It was a real thriller with the latter snatching a 25-23 decision. They got off to a good start and by the end of the quarter the score was 7-4, as McEwen poured in two baskets and Donnelly one. But this was only the beginning, for the cohorts of Eddie Purks poured in nine more points and Cooper's team able to tally only two.

But in the second half the Cooper team were a new team and put on a staunch rally and only trailed by six points at the end of the third quarter, with Cooper himself leading the come-back. Cooper's team was determined and slipped three baskets through the hoop before their rally was cut short by the final gun.



MR. CORNELIUS



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SCHOOL SPIRIT?  
by John Griscom

What is it? You can't put your finger on it; nevertheless, if you could, you would draw back a hand full of nothing. In the last few months the spirit has never been lower at M. B. A.

All the boys who have been to M. B. A. for the past two years will remember boys like Cox, Maddux, Warrick, Corbitt, Fields, and many others. These boys played hard to win just like our team this year and last year. They played for a bunch of boys who were appreciative, full of respect and most of all, spirited. What did this year's team play for? I'll tell you. They gave their heart and soul into the game for a bunch of lazy, indifferent, social-minded pups who valued their time too much to come to the game.

Of course many of us attended the games. The only trouble was that there weren't enough of us.

M. B. A. has played five basketball games this year. When we play at another school, I know it is hard for us to get there. However, when we play at home and allow the opposing club to have more rooters than we do, it certainly does make M. B. A. look bad. What's wrong with our attendance? It is probably because about one hundred and fifty boys say, "What's one less? They won't miss me."

Many times when the team begins to lose, these same fellows will say, "Well, we'll lose this one. What's the use of going? It will be just a little more water over the dam." Yes, fellow, just a little more water over the dam. What do you care about the honor, tradition and spirit of M. B. A.? You just go to school here. That's all. We are all guilty of it and we know it.

There is always the question of what happened to the school spirit. I'll tell you what I think happened to it.

Remember a few years ago when we called pep rallies ourselves? We would go to the study hall, beat on the desks and sing out our praises for the greatest school in the world as loud as we could. Do that now? Don't be silly. You would probably pull down ten demerits. Some teachers would say beating on the desks is destructive. Maybe it is—just slightly. But that little destruction contains school spirit. There isn't any school spirit in ringing five bells, assembling in the study hall and having Mr. Sager say, "All right, be quiet. First, we'll give fifteen raps for M. B. A. All right, you don't beat on that desk." Yes, don't do anything that will make "school spirit". It might dig up that deep-hidden thing called "school spirit".

We must accept our share of the blame. We certainly haven't cooperated as we could. It isn't too late right now. We might dig that old spirit up before basketball season is over. LET'S GIVE IT A TRY! WHAT DO YOU SAY?

## On The Bookshelf

Our librarian, Mrs. Campbell, is to be commended for her fine work in the library. Since school began this year she has added nearly sixty books to our library. Besides the new best sellers, Mrs. Campbell has added some of the prize winners of bygone years to the shelves. The sciences have not been neglected either. Histories like West's *American Democracy*, Prentice's *The Ancient Greeks*, and Fr. Funck Breton's *The Middle Ages* aid greatly in broadening the history students' parallel reading scope. Awake! Take ye notice, oh Latin scholars, lovers of Caesar, Cicero, and Saturday school. William's *The Stolen Oracle* with pages yet unturned sits lonely and eager in the new books section. Get more appreciation for amo amas amat, read *The Stolen Oracle*.

My selections for review this issue are *The White Tower* and *Fair Stood the Wind for France*. In *The White Tower* James Ullman vividly portrays the eternal struggle between the magnificent power of nature and the comparatively puny strength of man.

The *White Tower* is severe and rugged. It is a mountain which in the peace years challenged the prowess of the most skillful climbers of every nation. The mountain was never conquered. No one who

ever began his ascent of this mountain from the Kandermarkt Valley ever reached its Alpine summit.

War intercedes and leaves six people in Switzerland's remote Kandermarkt Valley who all desire with a desperation to climb this king of mountains in spite of, or perhaps because of its dangers.

There is Andreas Benner who has lived all his life in the shadow of the White Tower, and Nicholas Radcliffe, English geologist, in younger days a mountain climber. For Paul Delambre the mountain means action, reality, and a chance to see himself as he really is. For Siegfried Heine the conquering of another great snow peak means a triumph for the Third Reich and racial superiority.

And what of Martin Orday, United States Army Air Force? Why does he not return to the war before attempting this perilous ascent? Carla, the Viennese girl, joins Martin, and is compelled by a mysterious past experience to aid him in the attempt.

Death, love, hate, and fear, all these aid in accentuating this heroic story of five men and a woman against a mountain.

Its rare insight on human emotions makes *The White Tower* a literary milestone.

*Fair Stood the Wind for France* is a story of an English bomber crew. Their Wellington has motor trouble and they are forced to

M.B.A. STUDENTS EAGER  
TO RETURN TO SCHOOL

## Class News

## GRADE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Imagine: Charles Morris making a good grade.

Merrill Gwadtloff having a deep bass voice.

Marion Smith not biting his finger nails.

Ben Moore talking about somebody besides his girl friend.

Jimmy Bradford winning an argument.

J. W. Clark being little.

Billy Bradford being short and fat.

Jay Ward, John Pogue, and Inman Fox not pestering the older boys.

Marion Smith has always been termed as the boy who looked the most like a monkey in the grammar school.

When I saw him dressed up in his monkey suit for the dances, that proved it beyond a doubt.

John Pogue is the MICROBE PERSONALITY of the month.

Well, that's all until I get another inspiration.

Ed. Note.—When is Henry Hooker's hair going to grow out?

## FRESHMAN NEWS

The Freshmen are beginning to want protection from demerits, especially when they are shot thirty at a time. Ask Farris and Price what should be done.

Bobby Walker and Dickie Miller seem to be having rather short third period Algebra classes lately. If anyone wants to be a suicide pilot, see Houston Horn.

If anyone wants to see how the atom bomb was built, see Tom Watts.

If you read any notes or hear any conversation between Houston Horn and Joe Erwin in study hall, please do not repeat.

If Bill Daugherty sits behind you in any class, look out for hot foots.

Why such a change in the Freshmen in third period Algebra? The Freshmen who keep books in Mr. White's room are losing many of them and not by accident. The ones that reappear are full of scribbling and football plays. If anyone wants to return our books it might help a few failing grades.

## SOPHOMORE NEWS

Is Dophy Howard trying to lose weight, gain weight, or is he in training for some track meet? Well, anyway, if "Breathless" keeps on running like he does he will be the World's Champion Cross Country Runner. Here's a tip—he gets his energy from eating carrots.

The tank you saw last week on the gym floor was not a "Mark M-6", but it was none other than J. B. (tank-man) Hibbet.

Hefty Dave Wiley is racing with his toy terror poach in weight. The deadline is January 30, so you had better work fast, Dave, to hit that forty-seven pound goal.

Billy (the Sophomore terror) Vaughn is getting more popular every day with the teachers. Where do you buy soap powder now, Vaughn?

The school "Chesterfield" Jake (they can't resist him) Wallace is running a close race with Harry

crash land in occupied France.

The author, H. E. Bates, has served for the past three years with the R.A.F. He has lived with the pilots and has felt what they're up against. Out of that affiliation has come this great narrative and moving love story.

(featherweight) Corson for the best-dressed boy in school. Who are your tailors, boys?

If you are out hunting duck any time soon be sure you are shooting at a duck and not John "Beaky" Ambrose. Is it really patty, John? Woods Foster and John Haselton, "Sinatra" and "Crosby", are getting the boys sort of melancholy these blue days with enchanting vocals.

Well, what do you know? Bobby Walker quits General Science this week in atomic energy really complicated, Bobby?

The Sophomore slogan for the month is "TIME" marches on.

## JUNIOR CLASS NEWS

The Junior class as a whole was quite happy to return to school from our holidays (it says here). One exception was Bill Calton. Bill enjoyed his holidays so much that he decided to add another day to them, and it has been rumored that his health was not the cause.

Bobby Waller was another of our late-comers. Bobby says he was in Florida, although he did not get a very good sun tan.

Ken Goodpasture is sporting a new pair of genuine plastic-rimmed glasses. Some kind soul should tell him that Kress carries a better stock than Woolworth's.

This is to inform you that M. B. A. is not starting its own junk pile. It's only Richard Fletcher's car. "Ratch" tells us that the other day he got his car (?) up to 35.

It has been rumored that Russell (the Celery Stalk) Campbell came close to death in the chemistry lab the other day. See Russ for details.

To hear "Lily" Templeton talk, you would think he didn't like Memphis or a certain boy from Atlanta. Now why, Temp?

## SENIOR CLASS NEWS

The other night I was awakened by the phone. It was a very close friend of mine. She (he, it, whatever it was) was calling to give me the low-down on one of our fellow classmates. I'm not saying who—but they call him "Sugy Baby".

There has been a lot of talk recently about the senior class rings, but no action! What's holding us up?

What does Joe Card mean by "sweets for the sweet"?

It seems as though every month we have a name to add to the fast-growing "brown" list, but this new member has walked away with top honors and it has been said by some that he is probably the most proficient "brown" in this country today. He is none other than "Cookie" Lackey. Congrats, boy.

I know we all hope that John Haggard, who recently left for Florida because of illness, will be back with us soon.

Good luck! on the approaching exams—they can make or break you.

## Wishing Well

Montgomery Bell Academy is now a hundred and forty years old. It has been and still is one of the best schools in the South. In this, the second column of the series begun by Mr. Rule, let's consider some ideas to make it even better.

I hope that both the faculty and

Hoots from the  
Owl's Nest

Happy New Year, boys—and girls, too. There seemed to be plenty doing over the Christmas holidays.

What is this rot that "FLASH" keeps shooting to us about his good movies? I went to see one the other day (no time either) and I have come to the conclusion that the reason the camera keeps breaking is because the films have such long whiskers, they clog up the machine.

The above statement was made free of charge at no cost to McCowan. But it sure is a good punishment for serving off time.

Boy, you should have seen ROY. AL McCULLOUGH at one of the local dances the other night. He was sporting THOMAS KENNEDY'S sister. He sure looked good in that Marine uniform.

Saw JOE CARD out looking for HONEY Christmas night. Everybody knows you don't look for honey in the winter. But he must have found it. He came back licking his lips.

Who is this Potter that young JAMISON (my brother ain't got nothing on me) FARRAR keeps talking about? You can't tell me it's a person who puts flowers in pots.

FESS CORNELIUS, the watchmaker's dream, must wear a couple of watches out in a week just looking at them in assembly. It seems as though HARDY LAVENDER wants us all to know that he is a man. He has recently been sporting his "5 o'clock shadow". It won't be long now, Hardy. Everybody was surprised, I won't say pleasantly, last Tuesday morning, when who should be sitting in row 1, seat 1, but—you've guessed it—JOE MARTIN. Welcome back, ole boy!

MRS. BITZER must be losing some of her most ardent followers (known around M. B. A. as "browns") because the other day two students came fairly close to mashing her through the floor. I won't say congratulations, boys—just better luck next time.

Well, these are just a few passing remarks, and if any one finds out who wrote—or should I say, laid—this, I will never pass.

Your Fine Feathered Friend.

the student body will think about the following wishes and suggestions:

(1) Don't you think that there is too much time given? In a recent poll 99 out of 100 students said, "To blazes with time!" The remaining one was in favor of time but he was later proved to be a moron. Now, from the humorous to the serious side, most of the demerits are given in vain. Time has lost its value as a punishment; it is now just an inconvenience because we have so much time that we are immune to it. Instead of demerits and hours we need more teachers who can and do keep order. We have several teachers who give little or no time, yet keep perfect order. They usually give only well deserved time and are respected by us because of it.

(2) Why can't we have more good chapel programs? Nearly every day of the week we are preached and moralized to. These sermons are illustrated by numerous stories, true and authentic, of course, but somehow they make a person desire greatly to fall asleep, which is expressed by stifled yawns. Sometimes hymns are sung to add to the churchlike atmosphere.

We want Mr. Rule to do some more singing. We want interesting outside speakers. Mr. Cornelius used to be an expert on giving humorous readings, and I am sure he has not lost his talent. It will be sweet music to our ears when somebody yodels, squeals, strums, or sounds out a good tune on those "88's".

I hope that these wishes and suggestions have met with your approval and that you will be benefited by them.

—Russell Campbell.

Another suggestion was turned in by Joe Washington for a track team. Why not? We have plenty of boys who would be interested in this and could do it very well, too. Included in track is discus throwing, relay, high jump, broad jump, and javelin throwing. I know we are all for it.



## "MAROON HIGHLIGHTS"

by Edward McManus

About a week before we started on our Christmas holidays, Coach Allen called together in the gym all of those boys who were interested in playing basketball and started them on a rough and rugged workout.

There were so many boys who reported that Coach was forced to cut the squad down to eleven boys, which included Vaden Lackey, the new captain for the year; Hardy Lavender, Billy Calton and "Nick" Lanus, all of whom are veterans from last year's aggregation; Holly Murdock, Jimmy Atkinson, Dan Denny, Billy Joe Earhart, James Morris, Bill Wade and Joe Martin, who are new additions to the team.

The "Maroon" Club lost the complete first team and two substitutes by way of graduation last June, and this left Coach with very little experienced material to work with. Those who will not be back here with us this year are Charles "Pete" Robinson, All-City center; "Daddy" Hewitt and Billy Ferguson, who played the guard positions; Nelson Andrews and Jack Whiteaker, who held down the positions as forwards on the starting quintet. Others who graduated last year were Al Whitson, of football fame, who played guard, and Joe (Shorty) Talbot, who worked in at center.

The Microbes have started off their intramural basketball tournament and have played several games which are scheduled for Tuesday and Friday afternoon immediately following school. They are playing a double round-robin which consists of twelve games.

The complete schedule and the summary of the games thus far played will be found elsewhere on this page.

The high school department has chosen four teams from the Freshman and Sophomore classes and four from the Junior and Senior classes, to compete in an intramural program similar to that of the grade department.

The schedule of the varsity team is anything but easy this year, but the team is expected to come through with flying colors. The team is inexperienced, but with the will to win and the ambitious work that each player has shown so readily thus far this season, but team could not be anything but successful. Perhaps not in the number of games won or lost, but in the other many things that enter into wins or losses that are just as important to make a good team.

Versatile "Flash" McCown has come through with ideas on a new

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## The Varsity Quintet Off To a Surprisingly Successful Start

### Microbe Intramurals Well Under Way

PEARSON vs. GATES

The Microbes began their intramurals on January 4 in fine fashion with two games. In the first game the lads of Carl Gates' team sailed to an easy victory over Chuck Pearson's team by the score of 25-5. Since Chuck was absent, "Ace" Evans was acting captain. Getting off to an early lead, Gates' team led all the way. Best for the winners were Oman and Gates. Best for the losers was Evans.

F.—Gates (9) — Evans (4)  
F.—Hardcastle (6) — Carpenter  
C.—Oman (8) — Dixon (4)  
G.—Ward (2) — Stevens  
G.—Thornton — Pogue (1)  
Subs.: Gates—Adams and Morris.  
Evans — Smith.

**HOOKER vs. CALDWELL**  
In the second game Henry Hooker's team beat Bill Caldwell's team 23-10. After going ahead 10-8 in the second quarter, Bill's team never threatened again. Although larger, Caldwell's team was out-fought and out-scraped the whole game. Best for the winners were Henry Hooker and Inman Fox. Best for the losers were Caldwell and Moore.

F.—Moore (4) — Hooker (12)  
F.—Woods — Fox (5)  
C.—Caldwell (4) — Moates (2)  
G.—Tedd — King (2)  
G.—Gram — Hackman  
Subs.: Caldwell—Low, Bradford (2). Hooker—Pride, Feldman, Powell.

**GATES vs. HOOKER**  
In the first game of last Friday's intramurals the two undefeated teams met, and Gates' team trounced Hooker's team 18-9. The game started with both teams putting on a grand show. After fighting up and down, back and forth, the teams tied it up at the end of the first quarter, 6-6. But the charges of Carl Gates began hitting the hoop, and at the end of the half the score was 12-8. Holding a tight defense, and scoring in two points, themselves, Gates boys increased their lead to 14-8. The Hookers never threatened after the second quarter, and scored only one point during the last half. Best for the winners was Gates, with 10 points, while Moates starred for the losers.

F.—Hardcastle — Hackman (2)  
F.—Gates (10) — Fox (5)  
C.—Oman (8) — Moates (4)  
G.—Thornton — Hooker  
G.—Sees — Feldman  
Subs.: Adams, Macy, Powell.

**CALDWELL vs. PEARSON**  
Although not as important, the second game was by far the more thrilling. With Caldwell's team snatching the victory, 17-16. Since Caldwell was absent, Moore capably substituted as captain. Chuck Pearson's team moved into the lead early, and held an 8-4 advantage at the end of the first quarter; however, the Caldells, controlling both backboards, surged into the lead, to leave the floor at the end of the half, ahead, 13-10. They gained two more points, and it looked as though they would take an easy victory, but goals by Pogue and Dixon made it look as if Chuck's team might catch up; however, they couldn't score again. Best for the winners was Bradford, while Pogue and Evans shared the honors for the losers.

F.—Smith — Moore (2)  
F.—Evans (6) — Hollins (2)  
C.—Pearson (2) — Bradford (8)  
G.—Pogue (6) — Woods (3)  
G.—Carpenter — Graham (2)  
Subs.: Dixon (2).

**HOOKER vs. CALDWELL**  
On January 12 Bill Caldwell's team, fast improving, laid waste to Henry Hooker's team 27-13. The game started very close. Caldwell's team moved ahead, but Hooker's team soon overtook them on a goal by Eddie Moates. At the end of the quarter, the score was knotted at 4-4. But from then

The Maroon quintet, living up to their usual quality, entered the 1946 basketball season with a very good team. Their teamwork and coaching are their two greatest assets. The team opened the season with five straight victories.

Lackey, who was chosen to lead this year's basketball quintet, is probably most outstanding for his teamwork and ball handling rather than scoring.

Lavender, the Maroons' high-scorer, plays in the guard position and is at his best when scoring.

Holly Murdock, a newcomer to the varsity basketball squad, was an outstanding player on last year's "B" team. He is an excellent defensive player and is also a high-scorer.

Jimmy Atkinson, last season's football captain, is equally as good in basketball. Jimmy, too, is a very good defensive player.

Bill Calton, outstanding for his teamwork, starts his second year on the varsity five.

A great many boys went out for the team but Coach was forced to cut the squad down to twelve. On the second string team are: Billy Joe Earhart, Nick Lanus, Jim Morris, Joe Martin, Bill Wade, Jack Pore, and Dan Denney.

The quintet got off to a good start as the surprise team of the season. After the Maroons won five straight victories over Hume-Fogg, T.S.S., Duncan, Central, and Hume-Fogg again, the Ryan Panthers gave them their first defeat. The M.B.A. squad staged a strong comeback against the Peabody five and the David Lipscomb Mustangs. West gave the Maroons their second defeat of the season in a hard fought game.

Most of the players with the exception of Lackey, Atkinson, Martin, and Denney will return next year. Though M.B.A.'s squad is inexperienced they have proved themselves very good in the basketball field.

on it was all Caldwell. They scored eight points in the second quarter to two for their opponents, made by Inman Fox. But the Caldells didn't let up a bit and at the end of the third quarter, the score was 27-13, at which time Coach called the game. Best for the winners was Ben Smith, while Eddie Moates stood out for the losers. In the absence of Henry Hooker, Inman Fox was acting captain.

F.—Caldwell (2) — Fox (5)  
F.—Graham (5) — Snead  
C.—Bradford (8) — Moates (8)  
G.—Moore (11) — Hackman  
G.—Tedd — Feldman  
Subs.: Hollins, Wood (1).

**HOOKER vs. PEARSON**  
Henry Hooker's team barely nosed out Chuck Pearson's team by a score of 18-16 in a thrilling overtime struggle. Eddie Moates broke up the game in the overtime period. King, Moates and Fox led the winners, while Evans and Dixon were high-point men for the losers. After trailing 10-6 at the half, Pearson's five fought back, only to be beaten in the overtime. Pos. Hookers (18) Pearson's (16)  
F.—King (6) — Pogue  
F.—Fox (4) — Smith (2)  
C.—Carney (2) — Pearson (2)  
G.—Moates (4) — Evans (6)  
G.—Hooker (2) — Dixon (6)  
Subs.: Pride, Feldman.  
Score by quarters:  
Hooker — 4 6 2 4 — 18  
Gates vs. CALDWELL  
Led by Ken Hardcastle, Carl Gates' team romped to an easy victory over Caldwell's team after trailing 6-4 at the end of the first quarter. The final score was 20-14 for Gates' second straight victory. Best for the winners were Hardcastle and Gates and Oman, while Moore starred for the losers. Pos. Gates (20) Caldells (15)  
F.—Gates (6) — Moore (8)  
F.—Hardcastle (8) — Hollins (2)  
C.—Oman (6) — Caldwell  
G.—Thornton — Bradford  
G.—Snead — Lowe



Pictured above: Unidentified West player tries to stop Jimmy Atkinson as he attempts a basket.

### The M.B.A. Five Down Hume-Fogg Techsters

Montgomery Bell Academy, under the guiding hand of Hardy Lavender, who scored twelve of the thirty points marked up by the team in beating Hume-Fogg Tech 30-29, tallied its fifth consecutive win in as many starts to remain one of the few unbeaten clubs in the City League.

In this thrilling battle the score of the end of the first quarter ran 7-6 in favor of the "Blue Devils," but the Maroons, not to be shaken, gained a 13-12 lead as the festivities were called to a halt at half-time.

As the time passed into the final quarter with M. B. A. leading only by a 23-20 margin, Dudley Jones led the Techsters into the lead several times, but Lavender and Murdock poured on the steam to step out in front with points scored. As the game came to a thrilling climax and ended with the high-flying Maroons nosing out for a 30-29 victory.

Pos. M.B.A. (30) H.-F. Tech (29)  
F.—Lackey (2) — Jones (10)  
F.—Calton (3) — Johnson (2)  
C.—Murdock (6) — Duncan (7)  
G.—Lavender (12) — Bates (6)  
G.—Atkinson (4) — Wright (4)  
Subs.—M. B. A.: Morris (3).

scoreboard which will be completed soon and which will give the complete data of the proceedings of the game. The quarters will be flashed above the running score and the minutes and seconds will also be displayed on a separate clock throughout the game. In addition to the scoreboard, "Flash" has installed a public address system and has the record machine working so as to make the games a little more enjoyable to the spectators.

### MBA Bows To Ryan

Practically everyone realized that sooner or later, the scrappy little M. B. A. basketball team would fall from the unbeaten ranks before a more experienced squad. After winning five straight they fell at the hands of the highly polished Father Ryan squad, 41-21, in the Father Ryan gymnasium.

They held on during the first quarter, tying the game twice at the count of 2-2 and 3-3. Ryan, however, moved on ahead and led at the end of the first quarter by the score of 9-5. The game hunch from "up on the hill" was undaunted and traded blow for blow with Ryan in the second quarter, and trailed at the end of the half only by three points, 14-11.

Ryan came back after the half, a different team from three in set shot after set shot, knowing that their taller cohorts could retrieve the ball from the backboard if they missed, and soon led the gallant Maroons behind. By the end of the third quarter, the Panthers held a comfortable 28-16 advantage. In the fourth quarter, however, they did not let up, and taking the ball seemingly by will from the less experienced Reds, rolled the score up to 41-21 before the game was over.

Pos. Ryan (41) M. B. A. (21)  
F.—Sullivan (4) — Calton  
F.—Hefstetter (5) — Lackey (2)  
C.—Berry — Murdock (5)  
G.—Hagey (17) — Lavender (10)  
G.—Dorch (11) — Atkinson (2)

### Maroon Quint Rumps

Not forgetting the defeat they suffered at the hands of the Peabody Tigers last year, M. B. A. routed the Tigers by the score of 56-25. Pouring in basket after basket after basket, the Maroons left the Tigers hopelessly behind at the end of the first quarter, 17-5. Letting up none, the Big Red moved the score up to 30-17 at the end of the half.

M. B. A. continued to draw ahead as Jimmy Atkinson poured in four baskets. When the end of the third quarter was reached it was found that the Red had scored 14 points to their opponents 3, but this was no sign for the Maroons to let up. They shovelled on more coal and went on to gain their sixth victory. All the team played extremely well, but Holly Murdock reached his peak of the year, scoring 25 points. Hardy Lavender played his usual good game, scoring 16.

Pos. M.B.A. (56) Peabody (25)  
F.—Calton — Caldwell (2)  
F.—Lackey (2) — Mark (2)  
C.—Murdock (23) — Kelley (9)  
G.—Lavender (16) — Tankley (12)  
G.—Atkinson (8) — Mastie





## Personality of The Month

An appropriate place to begin a personality sketch is to begin where the personality began. Joe was born. Since then a few things have occurred, some trivial, and some important. To give you a more complete understanding of our subject, I think it would be appropriate to relate a few.

Joe began his education at Clemmons School. Before enrolling at M. B. A. as a freshman, he attended Woodmont and Stokes schools. Joe has been at M. B. A. nearly four years. During that time he has become one of the most popular and admired boys at M. B. A. Card is always ready to laugh. Sometimes he needs a reason, sometimes he is just laughing. This might leave plenty of room for doubt if he had not gained so many honors.

In his four years at M. B. A. Joe has been elected to class offices for three years and is a member of both the Student and Honor Councils.

Joe is an excellent student. He does well in all subjects and especially well in Math and Science. He does so well, in fact, that he often joins the strollers.

As a football player he has made an enviable record. He has been a regular at M. B. A. for the past three years on the varsity squad and was a regular on the "B" squad in his freshman year. I am sure all his teammates will remember him as one of the best boys and best players they ever worked with.

His ambition is to be an engineer, a profession for which he is very well suited. Joe will do great things as an engineer if honesty, ability, tact, grit and determination count for anything.

Joe has acquired a variety of nicknames during his four years at M. B. A., but he is best known by "Big Stoop". Along the same line we all know that anyone of any consequence has many things said about them, pro and con. To my mind, some of the funniest have been said of Joe. The football team offered to buy him a Bible and last year at the football banquet Coach, in previewing his next season, said: "We'll have Joe Card if the girls don't get him." Well, the girls left about 175 pounds of that tackle.

Joe's favorite comic character is Donald Duck; his favorite food is ham; his favorite pastime is Honey; his favorite sport is football; his favorite subject is—*not* Honey—but Physics; his pet peeve is studying.

All of the above-mentioned facts entitle Joe to one of the top places on our outstanding PERSONALITY LIST.

My Bonnie went into a bomber,  
A block-buster for to see;  
He pulled a little red handle—  
Oh, bring back my Bonnie to me.

## Please Laugh

by Jesse Ford

In the box marked contributions for the paper, there appeared seven cents. I would like to inform the contributor that carefare was changed to a nickel five years ago. Nickels, if you please.

Why did Mahatma Ghandi leave school?  
A girl wanted his pin.

The Song of His-Bainbridge  
(With apologies to Henry Wadsworth)

To the school grounds, M. B. A.—  
Hey!

Where there rules the man called Sager,  
Whips and beats the little children,  
Makes them stay there on Sa-ter-day,

When the schoolboy, Bobby Bainbridge,  
Got there late, as was his habit,  
For the day was gloomy Monday,  
Slept he not the night of Friday,

He had roared the night Sa-ter-day,  
He had bags beneath his eyes,  
He was sleepy, it was Mon-day,  
Big Chief Sager saw him coming,

Took his pad and started writing,  
Gave him much of time demerits,  
Gave to him this solemn greeting,  
"Thou art late, oh stupid scholar!"

Big Chief took him by the collar,  
Cringing Bainbridge by the collar,  
Bainbridge howled and was un-happy.

Big Chief dragged him to the office,  
Phone his father, Mr. Bainbridge,  
Told him that his son was tardy.

A problem copied from our brand-new algebra book, 17 *Century Math* (Revised Addition): "Behold, John hath a dozen chickens and his brother hath as many and thrice again. If, henceforth, a cow which thirsteth for water were given to drink wine, how many Indians killed Captain John Smith on the next attack?"

Fable: Once there was a Latin teacher who said that he thought that Latin was not absolutely essential, and that he frankly thought it possible for an individual to go through life unscathed and liked by his fellow men if he did not know Latin.

"Well," said the corpse as its coffin fell from the truck, "I guess I'll have to rehearse."

Remember the old adage originated by the wise sage, I. S. M. F. T., which, when translated freely, means Loose Shirts Make For Time.

MR. CORNELIUS  
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he occasionally delights his audience with a humorous story or poem. He was famed in Nashville literary circles a few years back as a humorous speaker and reader, surpassed by none. We were all greatly amused at the series of lim-ericks he read in chapel a few weeks ago. They referred to the Montgomery Bell students as "drips" and in other terms equally as "zooty."

In 1904 Mr. Cornelius married Miss Edmondson, and he is still delighted with his choice after forty-two years of matrimonial bliss.

The Corneliuses have two sons. One is superintendent of schools in Dade City, Florida, and the other, before he entered the armed services, was superintendent of the Political Science Division of the Library of Congress. Mr. Cornelius is justly proud of his two sons.

He is decidedly a man's man. Manhood, honor and truth are a part of the code he tries to instill into us every day. We are all grateful for the privilege of studying under Mr. Cornelius, the scholarly gentleman.

## JOKES

Jake Wallace: "Every time I kiss you, it makes me a better man."  
?????: "Well, you don't have to get to heaven in one night."

Do you know what the firefly said when he backed into the lawnmower?  
"I'm delighted, no end."

She was only a taxicab driver's daughter, but oh, you auto meter.

Buzz Davis: "So you graduated from a barber college? What was your college yell?"  
Mr. Levy: "Cut his lip, rip his jaw, leave his face raw, raw, raw."

Thomas: "Ginger ale, please."  
Waiter: "Pale!"  
Thomas: "Egad, no! Just a glassful."

A worm met another worm coming up from the ground and said: "You're beautiful; let's get married."

"You dope," said the other worm, "I'm your other end."

Teacher "How would you punctuate this sentence: 'Mary went swimming and lost her bathing suit.'"

Kid: "I'd make a dash after Mary."—Cohn, Clarion.

"Ah wine!"  
"Whut yuh got?"  
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## With Our Alumni

by Teddy Dillon

Nashville has welcomed back many M. B. A. alumni in the past few weeks. Among those who spent their Christmas leave at home was Davenport Mosby. His mother was about to give up hope of "Dav's" getting home for Christmas when he walked in Christmas Eve. After pounding a beat in the Philippines for several months, he sure was glad to get back. He tells me many of our other alumni are stationed there.

Also taking root in the Philippines is Dizz Dillon. He has just completed a trip from Tokyo Bay to Leyte and he writes home that the weather between the two places is really rough. He says the waves averaged mast high. Everyone had to lash himself to the bunks and everything with him. Type-writers and papers were flying everywhere. Days were required to straighten things out. He said he could not eat at all during the storm, mainly because they were unable to light fires for cooking. Right now, in Leyte, he is taking in routine patrol.

Big Bob Zanone is gettin' all set to take a stab at the navy. Since his eighteenth birthday is only about a week off, he decided to enlist rather than be drafted. He is having a hard time passing his physical, though, for every time he goes down for a working over his blood pressure skyrockets so that winds things up for the day. But the navy tells him to come back and maybe they will catch him with his blood pressure down before the army moves in. I hear they'll take anything, poor Zanone!

One of our older alumni discharged from the navy is Lewis

Lyne. Lulu was an outstanding athlete here at M. B. A. before graduating in 1939. Stationed at Pensacola, Lulu was destined for overseas duty as a pilot, but due to an ear injury in a high altitude test, he was scratched. He tested a few planes at Pensacola but spent most of his time as instructor in instrument flying. He was discharged recently and arrived in Nashville December 17, where he spent Christmas with his family.

Congratulations to Macdon Davis, who has just left the seaman class and has been commissioned as an ensign. Mac is now stationed at Norfolk on the battleship Mississippi.

One of our better known alumni, Alfred Adams, was transferred from Great Lakes to Corpus Christi, Texas, a few weeks before Christmas, so he failed to get home over the holidays. He was, however, able to spend Christmas with his uncle in Dallas.

P. S.—All information concerning M. B. A. alumni will be greatly appreciated.

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